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Ms. Carlyn Winter Prisk (3HS62) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region III 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

> Lower Darby Creek Area Superfund Site, RE:

Operable Unit 1 - Clearview Landfill

Darby Township, Delaware County and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Ms. Prisk:

I apologize for this late response and appreciate the extended response time provided by the agency.

In response to your questions on enclosure E, I offer the following.

- Delaware County has no records of any ash or other incinerated byproducts transported 1. from any county owned incinerator to the Clearview Landfill aka Heller's Dump.
- Delaware County has no direct or indirect knowledge or any arrangement for disposal for 2. any incinerator ash or residue at the Clearview Landfill.
- The County of Delaware was responsible for the disposal of all residential municipal 3. solid waste generated within Delaware County. Those municipalities and/or private haulers who picked up municipal household waste would dispose of it at the Folcroft incinerator. As far as Delaware County can determine all municipal solid waste incinerated at the Folcroft incinerator from 1970 through 1975 was disposed of at the Folcroft Landfill and/or Folcroft Annex. As far as can be determined the only waste incinerated in the Folcroft incinerator was household and municipal solid waste.
- The County archives has no records of the volume, physical property, composition or constituents of the incinerator residue other than it is household municipal solid waste.
- The County is unable to locate any documents pertaining to the disposal of the incinerator ash or residue at the Clearview Landfill property including but not limited to any agreements with the Clearview Landfill property owner or operators.

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The Delaware County Solid Waste Authority is continuing to pursue physical or oral evidence regarding the county incinerators.

I am enclosing a copy of my letter of December 3, 2001 in response to a prior inquiry in this matter.

If there is anything further that I can offer to you, please do not hesitate to contact me. In the mean time, any new evidence I find, I will gladly forward that immediately to your attention.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Joseph Vasturia, CEO, Delaware County Solid Waste Authority

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Ms. Carolyn Winter Prisk (3HS11) U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 3 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

Re: Lower Darby Creek Area Superfund Site – Clearview Landfill, Folcroft Landfill and Folcroft Landfill Annex

Dear Ms. Prisk:

In response to your questions regarding the above matter, I offer the following:

- 1.) The mailing address for Delaware County Solid Waste Authority is as follows: Rose Tree Park/Hunt Club, 1521 N. Providence Road, Media, PA 19063; phone number is (610)-892-9620.
- a.) The Delaware County Incinerator Authority was incorporated in the State of Pennsylvania on April 22, 1954.
 - b.) April 22, 1954; Pennsylvania
 - c.) None

Further response to question #1:

The Delaware County Incinerator Authority changed its name to the Delaware County Solid Waste Authority on March 14, 1985 in the State of Pennsylvania.

2.) The Delaware County Solid Waste Authority is responsible for receiving and disposal

of municipal solid waste generated in Delaware County. Since 1958 through 1976, the Delaware County Incinerator Authority was responsible for the receiving and disposal of municipal solid waste collected in Delaware County. Since 1985, Delaware County Solid Waste Authority has acquired a municipal landfill located in Earl Township, Berks County, known as the Rolling Hills Landfill. Delaware County Solid Waste Authority continues to receive all residential municipal solid waste collected in Delaware County and some commercial municipal solid waste collected in Delaware County.

3.) Unknown at this time

- 4.) Unknown at this time. This writer does know that the incinerator located adjacent to the Folcroft Landfill operated during the early 1970's and was subsequently closed in mid-1970. It presently houses the emergency service training facility for the County of Delaware. The County was responsible for the disposal of all residential municipal solid waste generated in the County, some of which was incinerated at the Folcroft Incinerator. The method of disposal and the location at which the ash or other waste was disposed of is unknown at this time. Information concerning this site and this incinerator are attempting to be gathered for a review of the archived records.
 - 5.) See attached Delaware County Solid Waste Master Plan.
- 6.) These documents are attempting to be located in the County Archives which will be produced if available.
- 7.) This information is being investigated to determine if any records exist. The County has historically not collected hazardous substances. The County has only been required under ordinance to dispose of residential municipal solid waste generated within Delaware County.
- 8.) The County was responsible for the disposal of all residential municipal solid waste generated within the County. Originally, it disposed of this waste by incineration at three incinerator plants located within the County. After the close of the incinerators in the midseventies, this municipal solid waste was transported to various landfills in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Since 1985, all municipal solid waste has been transported to its landfill located in Berks County either as raw msw or as incinerated ash from the American Ref-Fuel trash to steam plant located in the City of Chester.
- 9.) This question is being investigated and attempts to find documentation on this is being reviewed. I am enclosing copies of information I have received regarding Clearview Landfill which indicates that County of Delaware and the Delaware County Solid Waste Authority has never used the Clearview Landfill for disposable activities.
- 10.) Enclosed is the list of all of the individuals who were Board members of the Delaware County Incinerator Authority when it was created in 1954. Additional information is being investigated at the present time. By way of further answer, the Delaware County Incinerator Authority and the Delaware County Solid Waste Authority has never utilized

Clearview Landfill for any disposable activities.

- 11.) The Delaware County Incinerator Authority and the Delaware County Solid Waste Authority have never utilized Clearview Landfill for any disposable materials. An investigation is being conducted to determine whether or not the Delaware County Incinerator Authority used the Folcroft or Folcroft Annex.
- 12.) As of this writing, the Delaware County Incinerator Authority and the Delaware County Solid Waste Authority has never disposed of any substance at the Clearview Landfill. An Investigation is being conducted to determine whether or not the Delaware County Incinerator and Delaware County Solid Waste Authority has ever utilized Folcroft or Folcroft Annex as a disposal.
- 13.) Response to this question is still being investigated by the Delaware County Solid Waste Authority. There are no known individuals that are presently alive to substantiate those persons responsible for the responses to question 13.
 - 14.) Response to this question is still being investigated.
- 15.) Attached is information regarding the Clearview Landfill which indicates that the Delaware County Solid Waste Authority never utilized this landfill for any disposable activities. Further investigation is being conducted to determine whether or not any records exist as far as the Folcroft and Folcroft Annex Landfills are concerned.

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- a.) Michael F.X. Gillin, Solicitor, Delaware County Solid Waste Authority; 230 N. Monroe Street, Media, PA 19063, (610)-565-2211
- b.) Michael F.X. Gillin, Solicitor, Delaware County Solid Waste Authority, 230 N. Monroe Street, Media, PA 19063, (610)-565-2211
- 17.) The archives are still being searched for documentation as to the questions above. Upon investigation and review of all documentation in the archives, a further submission will be forthcoming.

If there are any further questions that you might have regarding these responses, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

Michael F.X. Gillin, Solicitor

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cc: Joseph Vasturia, CEO

Francis Catania, County Solicitor